



Hampton Police Division Media Release

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SCHOOL BUS ASSAULT

On February 16, 2004, at approximately 3:54 pm, police responded to Benjamin Syms Middle School, located at 170 Fox Hill Road to investigate an assault on a student. Officers determined that three juveniles boarded a HRT bus stopped at the intersection of Silver Isles Blvd and Lorigan Lane and approached a 14 year old male passenger. They proceeded to assault the student and strike him with an object described as a handgun.

The operator of the school bus order the intruders off the bus, notified police and returned the injured student to Benjamin Syms Middle School. The student refused medical treatment for injuries related to the assault.

The investigation is ongoing with suspect leads developed. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

Corporal Jimmie Wideman will receive questions about this release at 757-727-6638.

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